Electrification Corporation, the Jaldhara Scheme stipulates installation of ISI marked energy efficient electric pumpsets. Instructions have been issued to all the utilities to give priority in supply of power to the agricultural sector.

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(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up an Earth Station at Bhubaneshwar in Orissa;

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(c) whether the Earth Station is proposed to be set up in 1989-90?

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THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Pesticides are manufactured in the country mostly in the private sector. Entrepreneurs are planning additional production facilities based on demand projections of different pesticides. Registrations/Letters of Intent are being granted on the applications being received as per rules.

Closure of Steel tube Industries

(« 1902. SHRl KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of Steel tube industries have closed down in the recent past;

(b) if so, reasons therefor;

(c) the number of workers affected due to the closure; and

(d) what remedial action has been taken to save the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (A) Government has not received any specific report regarding closure of a large number of steel tube industries in the recent past.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Wige agreements with Public Undertakings

rwCaMB. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it. is a tact that tn a large number of public sector undertakings, the last agreements on wages expired at the end of 1986 or early 1987;

(b) if so, in how many industries, new agreements have been made; and

(c) if not. the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) New agreements have so far been concluded in six enterprises including Oil India and Hindustan Shipyard Ltd. Government has laid down in January, 1987, broad parameters for renewal of wage agreements. It is for the management of enterprises to conclude agreements keeping those parameters in mind.

Capital output ratio for IDPL drugs

1904. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to stale:

(a) what is the capital output ratio in respect of bulk drugs and formulations of IDPL, separately;

(b) whether it is a fact that this ratio is the lowest in respect of IDPL as compared to other companies;

(c) if so, what are the details' of improvement/deterioration in this ratio for the last three years, yearwise; and

(d) what steps have been taken to improve this ratio?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (d) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House

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